

REMARKS

Claims 38-43 and 187-213 were previously pending in this application. Claims 38, 40, 41, 187-208, 210 and 211 have been allowed. Claims 39, 42, 43, 209, 212, and 213 have been cancelled.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph

The Examiner has rejected claims 39, 42, 43, 209, 212, and 213, under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph as failing to comply with the written description requirement.

Although Applicants believe that the combination of the teaching in the specification as filed with the general state of knowledge in the art that a percent solution of a water soluble polymer and an aqueous liquid is made on a weight per volume basis, would indicate to one of ordinary skill that Applicants were in possession of the claimed invention at the time of filing, in order to expedite the issuance of the allowed claims, Applicants have cancelled claims 39, 42, 43, 209, 212, and 213, thereby obviating the rejection of claims 39, 42, 43, 209, 212, and 213, under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 39, 42, 43, 209, 212, and 213 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph.

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Allowable Subject Matter


Claims 38, 40, 41, 187-208, 210 and 211 have been allowed.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments, this application should now be in condition for allowance. A notice to this effect is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes, after this amendment, that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below.

If this response is not considered timely filed and if a request for an extension of time is otherwise absent, Applicants hereby request any necessary extension of time. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 23/2825.

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